

THE HOUSING AUTHORITY
OF THE CITY OF
WOONSOCKET, RHODE ISLAND

1. Call to order: 4:30 p.m. Regular Meeting December 18, 2014 at the Woonsocket Housing Authority, 679 Social Street, Woonsocket, RI 02895

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Bernadette Rochefort, Vice Chairwoman
Sally Anthony
Charles Baldelli
Roger Bouchard
Janet Lemieux

Duncan C. Speel, Deputy Director
Attorney Joseph J. Rodio, Sr.
David Lahousse, Chairman - Absent
Theresa Corbeille -Absent

2. Good and Welfare for the Audience – Ron Aubin, 131 Cochran Street, West Warwick, RI spoke on behalf of his mother, Dolores Aubin, who resides at Kennedy Manor. He had concerns about spraying that was done in his mother’s apartment to treat for bed bugs. The Board responded that they would discuss the issue with Deputy Director Speel.
3. Good and Welfare for the Commissioners - none
4. Vice Chairwoman Rochefort asked for a motion to accept the minutes for the regular meeting of November 20, 2014. A motion was made by Commissioner Baldelli and seconded by Commissioner Anthony.

There was no discussion. A roll call vote was taken; the following were the “Ayes” and “Nays”.

AYES

NAYS

Vice Chairwoman Rochefort
Commissioner Anthony
Commissioner Baldelli

Commissioner Bouchard
Commissioner Lemieux

5. Vice Chairwoman Rochefort asked for a motion to accept the bills paid for the month of November 2014. A motion was made by Commissioner Baldelli and seconded by Commissioner Anthony.

Commissioner Lemieux asked about many bills being paid to one vendor. She asked if they were piling up. The Deputy explained that under the detail, each invoice is broken out into amps. The Deputy said he would confirm that and get back to the Commissioners. Commissioner Lemieux also asked for a monthly breakdown of the fee accountant bills for the year.

There was no further discussion. A roll call vote was taken; the following were the “Ayes” and “Nays”.

AYES

NAYS

Vice Chairwoman Rochefort
Commissioner Anthony
Commissioner Baldelli
Commissioner Bouchard
Commissioner Lemieux

6. The Vice Chairwoman asked for a motion to accept and place on file for the purposes of discussion, the Communications and Interest of the Authority – A. A motion was made by Commissioner Baldelli and seconded by Commissioner Anthony.

There was no discussion. A roll call vote was taken; the following were the “Ayes” and “Nays”.

AYES

NAYS

Vice Chairwoman Rochefort
Commissioner Anthony
Commissioner Baldelli
Commissioner Bouchard
Commissioner Lemieux

7. Report of the Secretary

Vice Chairwoman Rochefort asked for a motion to accept and place on file, the report of the Deputy Director, for purposes of discussion. A motion was made by Commissioner Baldelli and seconded by Commissioner Anthony.

The Deputy submitted his report as written summarizing projects underway including the fire code work at Morin Heights and porch decks at Parkview. He also spoke of the increase in the number of residents needing services and the possibility of needing additional support for resident services. The Deputy said he is looking to coordinate staff training for HUD updates with other RI housing authorities. Commissioner Lemieux asked if we had any plan to consider electronic storage of files. The Deputy said no, HUD does not want it electronically; they want to see the paper in the file. The Deputy said electronic storage may be worth looking into, but there needs to be a lot of clean-up of what is in storage before that can happen.

There was no further discussion. A roll call vote was taken; the following were the “Ayes” and “Nays”.

AYES

NAYS

Vice Chairwoman Rochefort
Commissioner Anthony
Commissioner Baldelli
Commissioner Bouchard
Commissioner Lemieux

7B. Reports of Direct Staff, Legal and Financial

Vice Chairwoman Rochefort asked for a motion to receive and place on file, the reports of Direct Staff, Legal and Financial. A motion was made by Commissioner Baldelli and seconded by Commissioner Anthony.

There was no discussion. A roll call vote was taken; the following were the “Ayes” and “Nays”.

AYES

NAYS

Vice Chairwoman Rochefort
Commissioner Anthony
Commissioner Baldelli
Commissioner Bouchard
Commissioner Lemieux

8. Report of Committees – none

9. Unfinished Business – none

10. New Business

- A. The Vice Chairwoman asked for a motion to approve Resolution #1137: Approval to Write off Uncollectable LIPH Accounts. A motion was made by Commissioner Anthony and seconded by Commissioner Bouchard.

There was no discussion. A roll call vote was taken; the following were the "Ayes" and "Nays".

AYES

NAYS

Vice Chairwoman Rochefort
Commissioner Anthony
Commissioner Baldelli
Commissioner Bouchard
Commissioner Lemieux

- B. The Chairman asked for a motion to approve Resolution #1138: Approval to Write off Uncollectable Section 8 Accounts. The motion was made by Commissioner Baldelli and seconded by Commissioner Lemieux.

Commissioner Anthony asked if this was something that we did every year; yes, twice per year.

There was no further discussion. A roll call vote was taken; the following were the "Ayes" and "Nays".

AYES

NAYS

Vice Chairwoman Rochefort
Commissioner Anthony
Commissioner Baldelli
Commissioner Bouchard
Commissioner Lemieux

11. Adjournment

Vice Chairwoman Rochefort asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Commissioner Baldelli and seconded by Commissioner Anthony
5:15 p.m.

Roll call vote was unanimous.

Duncan C. Speel
Deputy Director